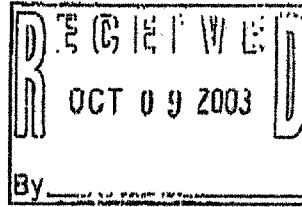




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RE: FAP 2234
Natamycin

Dear Dr. Graber:

We have received your letter dated 03/13/2003. Our response to your letter is as follows:

We accept the regulation calling for natamycin, calcium carbonate, and lactose as the approved product as discussed on pages 2-3 of your letter and detailed on page 5 of your letter.

Attached is a copy of the new label incorporating all of your suggested changes including the new mixing directions as discussed on page 3 of your letter and detailed on page 4 of your letter. The new mixing directions call for the thorough mixing of all dry ingredients comprising the final feed before adding the liquid ingredients.

As you suggested on page 3 of your letter, we will contact Dr. Jesse Meneses before conducting any future studies.

On page 4, we accept all your suggestions (i.e. Name, Claim, Listing of Ingredients, Directions for Use, Caution, and Expiration Date).

We believe there are typographical errors in two paragraphs of your letter. The first is on page 4 under Listing of Ingredients. The actual amounts of the ingredients should read 434, 10, and 10 g for calcium carbonate, natamycin, and lactose, respectively. Also, on page 5 of your letter, item "d", the verbiage should read: "...434 g of calcium carbonate, 10 g of natamycin and 10 g of lactose...". This would be consistent with our data.

Since our original submission the assets of Ducoa, including FAP 2234 for Natamycin, have been transferred to Arkion Life Sciences per the letterhead of this

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response letter and as referred on our label facsimile. The FAP 2234 should be issued in the name Arkion Life Sciences 3521 Silverside Road Wilmington, DE 19810.

Finally, this process has been a long and arduous trip, but I want to thank you and your staff for the dedication and hard work in seeing this project to its completion. I also want to thank you and your staff for the courteous and professional manner you exhibited in all matters connected with this submission.

Sincerely yours,

Franklin Carter

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